

## LICENSE, TAGS AND PERMIT FEES

Any person 14 years of age or older must have a valid license or permit to fish for fish, bullfrogs or crayfish in Idaho. No person shall fish without having the proper license on his or her person.

Any license, tag or permit which is defaced, altered or tampered with shall be invalid from the date and time of issuance. It is a violation to use or attempt to use any license, tag or permit that has been defaced, altered or tampered with by means of (but not limited to) erasures and typeovers, or tears.

Nonresident children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by the holder of a valid fishing license and their fish must be included in the license holder's limit in order to fish without a license, or they may purchase a nonresident license and have their own limit.

Resident children under 14 years of age need not be accompanied by the holder of a valid fishing license and they may have their own separate limit.

Persons 14 years of age and older who do not qualify as residents must purchase a nonresident license. See page 6.

A resident child under 14 may purchase a salmon or steelhead permit without a license so that he or she may catch his or her own limit of steelhead or salmon.

Fishing on Indian reservations may require tribal licenses and adherence to tribal regulations.

## License, Tag and Permit Fees

Updated January 2010

The amounts listed include all permits and application fees as of January 1, 2010. Fees may change without notice.  
Licenses, permits, validations and tags expire **December 31**.

### Idaho Residents

(See requirements on page 7)

#### Adult licenses:

##### 18 years of age and older

Sportsman's Package*	\$117.25
Combination Hunting and Fishing	33.50
Disabled Combination	
SSI, SSDI, DAV	5.00
Military Furlough Combination	17.50
Hunting	12.75
Fishing	25.75
Disabled Fishing	5.00
Military Furlough Fishing	17.50
Trapping****	26.75
Taxidermist/Furbuyer - 1 year****	40.00
Taxidermist/Furbuyer - 5 years****	176.75

##### Youth licenses 10 – 17 years

Sportsman's Package*	\$117.25
Junior Combination (14-17)	17.50
Junior Hunting (12-17)	7.25
Junior Fishing (14-17)	13.75
Youth Small Game Hunting (10-11)	7.25
Trapping****	7.25

**Senior license 65 years and older** (5 years residency prior to license purchase required)

Combination	\$11.75
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### Permits and Validations

Archery Permit	\$18.25
Muzzleloader Permit	18.25
Hound Hunter Permit	12.75
Bear Baiting Permit****	12.75
Wildlife Management Area Pheasant (17+ years)	\$23.75
Sage/Sharptail Grouse Permit	4.75
Migratory Bird Permit	1.75
Handicapped Archery Permit****	1.75
Handicapped Motor Vehicle Permit****	1.75
Salmon Permit	\$12.75
Steelhead Permit	12.75
Two-Pole Permit	13.75

### Adult Tags

Deer	\$19.75
Elk	30.75
Bear	11.50
Second Bear	11.50
Mountain Lion	11.50
Second Mountain Lion	11.50
General Turkey	19.75
Extra Turkey	12.25
Pronghorn	31.25
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (controlled hunt tag only, does <b>not</b> include application fee, see below)	166.75
Wolf	11.50

## Youth, Senior, and DAV Tags\*\*

Deer**	\$10.75
Elk**	16.50
Bear**	6.75
Second Bear**	6.75
General Turkey***	10.75
Extra Turkey ***	10.75

## Controlled Hunts

Resident Controlled Hunt Application	6.25
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\* The sportsman's package includes deer, elk, turkey, bear and mountain lion tags, and archery, muzzleloader, salmon, and steelhead permits.

\*\* Must have a senior combination license, a Junior combination or hunting license, or a DAV combination license.

\*\*\* Must have a senior combination license, a Junior combination or hunting license, or a DAV combination license, or a Youth Small Game hunting license.

\*\*\*\* Available only at Idaho Fish and Game offices. Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.

## Resident Lifetime License Certificates

Regardless of your age, purchase of a lifetime license could be the best investment you ever make. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses authorize all privileges associated with a corresponding annual license. These licenses are valid for the lifetime of the license holder and are available to all residents of Idaho. If a lifetime certificate holder moves out of Idaho, they will continue to receive an annual license, but they will have to pay nonresident tag and permit fees.

The lifetime certificate does not include tags and permits. Lifetime certificates can be purchased at Idaho Fish and Game headquarters and regional offices only.

Applicant Age	Combination	Hunting	Fishing
0 - 1 year	\$795.50	\$276.75	\$601.75
2 - 50 years	\$1,113.00	\$386.75	\$841.75
51 and older	\$636.75	\$221.75	\$481.75

**Note:** Commercial licenses, duplicate tags, lifetime license (renewal beginning second year of ownership), bear baiting permits, and bobcat and otter pelt tags (pelts are tagged at regional offices and the Hunter Education Center only) are available **only** at Idaho Fish and Game offices.

**For licenses not listed, please visit our web page at:**  
<http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>

## Nonresident

(See requirement page 7)

Combination Hunting & Fishing	\$240.00
Hunting	154.75
Small Game Hunting (Not valid for the first 5 days of pheasant season. Valid for upland & migratory game birds, turkeys, cottontail, snowshoe hare, <b>hunnable furbearers and unprotected and predatory birds and animals</b> )	97.75
Nongame Hunting (valid January to August)	35.50
Shooting Preserve Hunting	23.75
Season Fishing	98.25
Daily Fishing (first day)	12.75
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase add	6.00
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead (includes three-day general fishing license)	37.50
Trapping****(expires June 30)	301.75
Taxidermist/Furbuyer**** (expires June 30)	170.00

## Junior Mentored & Youth Licenses

Junior Mentored Hunting* (12-17)	\$31.75
Youth Small Game Hunting* (10-11)	20.00
Junior Fishing (under 18)	21.75
Daily Fishing (first day)	12.75
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase add	6.00
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead (includes three-day general fishing license)	37.50

## Permits and Validations

Archery Permit	\$20.00
Muzzleloader Permit	20.00
Hound Hunter Permit ****	169.75
Bear Baiting Permit ****	31.75
Wildlife Management Area Pheasant (17+ yrs)	51.75
Sage/Sharptail Grouse Permit	4.75
Migratory Bird Permit	4.75
Handicapped Archery Permit****	1.75
Handicapped Motor Vehicle Permit****	1.75
Salmon Permit	25.75
Steelhead Permit	25.75
Two-Pole Permit	15.50

## Adult Tags

Deer (Regular or White-tailed)	\$301.75
Elk	416.75
Bear	186.00
Reduced Bear	31.75
Second Bear	31.75
Mountain Lion	186.00

Reduced Mountain Lion. . . . .	31.75
Second Mountain Lion. . . . .	31.75
Turkey . . . . .	80.00
Extra Turkey . . . . .	80.00
Pronghorn . . . . .	311.75
Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat (Controlled hunt tag only, does <b>not</b> include application fee, see below) . . . . .	\$2,101.75
Wolf . . . . .	\$186.00

#### Junior Mentored Tags\*\*

Deer (Regular, White-tailed)** . . . . .	\$23.75
Elk** . . . . .	39.75
Bear** . . . . .	23.75
Second Bear** . . . . .	23.75
Turkey*** . . . . .	19.75
Extra Turkey*** . . . . .	19.75

#### Controlled Hunt

Controlled Hunt Application. . . . .	\$14.75
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#### Notes:

\* Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.

\*\* Must have a Junior Mentored hunting license. The accompanying adult must have a tag(s) for the same species, valid in the same area(s). The junior mentored deer tags are not valid for bear or mountain lion. Price not valid for leftover nonresident, general season deer or elk tags purchased as second tags.

\*\*\* Must have a Junior Mentored hunting license or a Youth Small Game hunting license.

\*\*\*\*These licenses and permits are only available at Idaho Fish and Game offices. Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.

**Note:** Nonresident lifetime license holders must buy tags at Fish and Game offices if nonresident deer and elk tags are sold out.

**For licenses not listed, please visit our web page at:** <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>

#### Super Hunt

The first Super Hunt ticket for each species costs \$6; each additional ticket for that species purchased at the same time costs \$4. The first Super Hunt Combo ticket costs \$20; each additional ticket purchased at the same time costs \$16.



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## Residency Requirements

**RESIDENTS AND NONRESIDENTS:** To buy hunting and fishing licenses with a VISA or MasterCard, call 1-800-55HUNT5, 1-800-824-3729 or go to the IDFG website at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov> 24-hours a day. Residents must have an Idaho driver's license (to verify residency). The information must be read exactly as it appears on the license. Most licenses will be valid for use immediately. Some tags/permits are also available from these sources. The charge for processing phone-in applications is three percent (3%) of the transaction plus \$5.50; the charge for internet applications is three percent (3%) of the transaction plus \$3.50. Call 208-334-3700 for more information.

### Resident:

Proof of residency is required before issuance of any resident license. A resident is defined as any person who has been domiciled in the state of Idaho, with a bona fide intent to make this his/her place of permanent abode, for a period of not less than six months immediately preceding the date of application for any license, tag or permit. A senior resident is defined as any person who is over sixty-five (65) years of age and who has been a resident of the state of Idaho not less than five years immediately preceding the date of application for a senior license or tag. Domicile means the place where an individual has his/her home to which he/she has the intention of returning whenever he/she is absent.

A driver must produce his/her Idaho driver's license as proof of residency; or a nondriver must produce suitable proof of residency, such as an Idaho Identification Card issued by the Department of Transportation, **OR** two documents bearing his/her name and address (not issued by himself/herself) such as: in the case of a child under 18, identification from a parent; rent receipts or mortgage statements for the previous six months, home utility bills for the previous six months, notarized statement from an employer on business letterhead, or proof of voter registration dated six months prior. A previous year's hunting license is not proof of residency. Ownership of real property or paying of property taxes within the state of Idaho is NOT a qualification for residency. No one can claim Idaho resident privileges while claiming resident privileges in another state (except military personnel).

A member of the U.S. military service or of a foreign country, together with spouse and children under 18 years of age, residing in his/her household, who have been officially transferred, stationed, domiciled and on active duty in the state of Idaho for a period of 30 days preceding application shall be eligible, as long as such assignment continues, to purchase a resident license. A member of the Idaho National or Air National Guard, domiciled in Idaho for 30 days preceding application shall be eligible, as long as such residency continues, to purchase a resident license.

Idaho residents who are in the U.S. military service, and maintain Idaho as their official state of residence, together with spouse and children (under 18 years of age) residing in his/her household shall be eligible to purchase a resident license. The service person himself/herself is eligible to buy a furlough license from any vendor while on leave. Other permits and validations must be attached as required.

### Nonresident:

You are considered a nonresident if you:

- Have a driver's license in another state
- Register to vote in another state
- File income taxes as a resident in another state
- File a homeowner's exemption in another state.

The exception is **ACTIVE DUTY** military personnel, their spouses, and children under 18 living in their house that have been permanently stationed in Idaho and have been physically present in Idaho for at least 30 days.

Ownership of real property or payment of property taxes in Idaho does not establish residence.

**Nonresident Tag Quotas:** There is a quota on the sale of nonresident deer and elk tags. Quotas may be exceeded under the following conditions:

- Persons who have moved into Idaho and are establishing residency who can, by affidavit, show proof of their intent to become bona fide residents, but are not now fully qualified to buy a resident license, may purchase a nonresident deer tag and/or nonresident elk tag through the headquarters or regional offices.  
IDFG may, upon receipt of an unused nonresident deer or elk tag and a notarized affidavit stating that the tag buyer has not hunted, issue an additional tag to provide a hunting opportunity within the nonresident hunter quota as follows:
- To another nonresident designated by the buyer.
- If the buyer does not make a choice and has retained an outfitter or guide, the outfitter or guide may make the designation.
- If no designation is made by the above, IDFG may sell the replacement tag on a first-come, first-served basis. The designated buyer will pay the regular fee for the replacement tag.

## GENERAL FISHING SEASONS

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If the water you wish to fish is not listed by name, or as tributaries of a larger water in the regional exceptions pages, then the general seasons and bag limits (pages 8-9) apply.

### GENERAL SEASONS

- **APPLY TO ALL WATERS OF THE STATE EXCEPT AS LISTED IN "REGION EXCEPTIONS."**
- **LAKES, PONDS and RESERVOIRS** (including alpine lakes): Extends ONLY to the edge of flat waters, excluding small, unnamed irrigation diversion ponds, beaver ponds and mill ponds—OPEN ALL YEAR.
- **DITCHES and CANALS:** Man-made structures used to transport water for irrigation or hydropower purposes—OPEN ALL YEAR.
- **RIVERS and STREAMS:** Small, unnamed irrigation diversion ponds, beaver ponds and mill ponds have the same season as the river or stream on which they are located—Open Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend through November 30.

**2010:** May 29 - November 30.

### SPECIAL SEASONS

- **WINTER STREAM SEASON:**  
Trout — catch-and-release only. Whitefish and brook trout may be harvested during winter stream seasons. Fishing gear or bait restrictions which apply to a river or stream section during the general season, also apply during the winter stream season. See regional exceptions for waters open to winter stream fishing.
- **Dates:** December 1 to March 31.
- **STEELHEAD SEASON:** See pages 66-70.
- **SALMON SEASON** (Anadromous): Seasons for anadromous (ocean-going) salmon are closed unless opened by special rule, which is published separately. Contact any IDFG office for information.

### NOTE:

- Whitefish and brook trout may also be harvested in any waters during seasons open for other species, including reduced bag limit or size restricted waters, and catch-and-release waters.
- Bullfrogs, crayfish, and unprotected nongame fish may be harvested ONLY during the season set for the taking of other game fish in those waters.

### FISHING CONTESTS OR TOURNAMENTS

Any person, organization, club, business, partnership, corporation or other entity that sponsors a fishing contest which is based on the capture of an individual fish, or the size or number of fish captured, must first obtain a fishing contest permit from IDFG. A fishing contest is defined as an event where the total prize value is greater than \$1,000; or the individual entry fee is greater than \$25; or the number of boats is greater than 10 or the number of individual contestants is greater than 20; or there is a live fish weigh-in. Contact your local IDFG office for permit applications. See page 3 for regional phone numbers and addresses.



### FAMILY FISHING WATERS

In response to anglers requests for more family-oriented fishing opportunities and simplified rules, IDFG has developed new Family Fishing Water Rules. These are designed to be easy to use and waters were selected which provide settings for a great fishing trip for families, kids and first-time anglers.

- Year-round season
- Limit of six trout and six bass
- No limit on other species
- No length limits
- Standard fishing gear (Includes the use of a hook and line to catch fish. May also include the use of a rod and reel.)

**See Region maps for  
Family Fishing Waters near you.**

### FISHING IN BOUNDARY WATERS

**Bear Lake:** The holder of a valid Idaho or Utah fishing license may fish all of Bear Lake EXCEPT in areas CLOSED to all fishing by the respective states. Anglers are subject to the rules and regulations of the state in which they are fishing.

#### **Snake River Between Idaho And Oregon Or Washington:**

The holder of a valid Idaho fishing license may fish the Snake River where it forms the boundary between the states of Idaho and Oregon or Washington, subject to the fish and game laws of Idaho but may not fish from the shore including wading, and may not fish in sloughs or tributaries on the Oregon or Washington side. An Oregon or Washington license holder has the same rights and restrictions with reference to the Idaho side.

Any angler who fishes on the Snake River or any other water forming an Idaho boundary is entitled to have in possession only the limit allowed by one license regardless of the number of licenses in possession.



## GENERAL BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS

The following bag and possession limits apply statewide except as modified in "REGION EXCEPTIONS," listed on pages 20-65.

- Steelhead have separate rules, see pages 66-70.
- Bag and possession limits are defined on page 10.

SPECIES	BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS	
<b>BASS (Largemouth and Smallmouth)</b> North of and including the Salmon River drainage and downstream of the Hells Canyon Dam in the Snake River. (Panhandle, Clearwater, Salmon and northern part of Southwest regions)	6*	In the aggregate of both species.
<b>BASS (Largemouth and Smallmouth)</b> South and east of the Salmon River drainage, Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam (Upper Snake, Southeast, Magic Valley and southern part of Southwest regions)	6*	In the aggregate of both species, NONE under 12 inches.
<b>BROOK TROUT</b>	25	
<b>BULL TROUT</b>	NONE	There is no harvest season for bull trout. Any bull trout caught may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately.
<b>BURBOT</b> (Ling)	NONE	
<b>SALMON</b> (Anadromous, ocean-going)		Salmon rules are issued in separate brochures. Seasons are closed unless opened by commission rule.
<b>STEELHEAD</b> (Anadromous, ocean-going)		See pages 66-70.
<b>STURGEON</b> (See page 33.)	NONE	There is no harvest season for sturgeon. Any sturgeon caught may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately. Barbless hooks required. <b>Unlawful to fish for sturgeon in the Kootenai River.</b> NOTE: Federal rules prohibit the attempted take of Kootenai River sturgeon.
<b>TIGER MUSKIE</b>	2*	NONE under 40 inches.
<b>TROUT</b> (does not include brook or bull trout) Includes the following trout family fishes: brown, cutthroat, golden, lake (Mackinaw), rainbow, splake and sunapee trout; trout hybrids; Arctic grayling; and the landlocked forms of Chinook, coho, Atlantic and kokanee (blueback) salmon.	6*	In the aggregate of all trout species (see regional rules for special cutthroat trout restrictions).
<b>WALLEYE</b>	NO LIMIT	See Magic Valley and Southeast regional exceptions.
<b>WHITEFISH</b>	25	See Southeast and Upper Snake regional exceptions.
<b>PROTECTED NONGAME FISH</b> Includes the following: leatherside chub; Pacific lamprey; sand roller; and Shoshone, Wood River, and Bear Lake sculpin.	NONE	May not be harvested or possessed.
<b>All species other than those listed above</b>	NO LIMIT	Includes bullfrogs and crayfish (see game fish page 10).

\* Illegal to transport without head and tail attached.



**No fishing license required to fish on**

**JUNE 12, 2010**

**All other fishing rules and bag limits apply.**